

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejection of the subject matter of this application is requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-4 and 6-23 remain for consideration. Claim 5 has been canceled, and claim 1 re-written to incorporate all the limitations of claim 5. Claims 5-7 have been indicated as allowable. Claim 1 is now equivalent to allowed claim 5. Claims 1-4, and 6-9 as now constituted would appear to be allowable. Claim 10 has been amended along the lines of allowed claim 1. It is submitted that claim 10, with all the limitations of allowed claim 1, is also allowable. Claims 11-18 are dependent on claim 10, and also appear to be allowable. Claims 19-23 have been canceled.

The Drawing

The drawing appears to be acceptable as filed.

Rejections

The rejections on prior art that are of record and are intended subjects of this paper are:

Claims 1-4 and 5-23 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as unpatentable over Lahat et al. in view of Doerr et al. further in view of Onaka et al..

Argument

Claim 1 has been combined with claim 5, which has been indicated as

allowable. Claims 2-4, and 6-9, dependent on claim 1, also appear allowable.

Claim 10 contains the limitations of claim 1, except recited in structure terms rather than method form. It is urged that claim 10, and claims 11-18 dependent thereon, are also allowable.

In view of the amendments and these remarks, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-4 and 6-18 is requested.

Respectfully,



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